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Adult ed cuts approved by GGUSD board

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By Brittany Hanson/Garden Grove Journal

Adults with Disabilities Education and the nighttime cosmetology program in the Garden Grove Unified School District will be looking at cuts in the months to come.

At Tuesday's school board meeting, the board approved an agenda item that would serve to reduce or discontinue services to the adult education programs and approved a reduction in service hours or positions for three campus safety assistants and two cosmetology receptionists.

Adult education programs are not being cut completely from services, however the district will be looking into other ways that they can provide for those students.

"We are looking at maybe partnering with a local approved program to help," said Alan Trudell, GGUSD's public relations officer.

According to Trudell, the night cosmetology programs will run until January 2011 in order to allow current students to graduate. After that, the night program will be discontinued.

Adult education will also be looking at some changes, however Trudell wanted to assure people that there are no definite decisions at this time.

Under California law, certificated employees must be notified by March 15 if how they will not be employed or will have hours cut for the next year.

Also, there are to be no reduction in force notices to be issued to K-12 educators.

"Right now, the fate of the program has yet to be determined," said Trudell.

Although there are no immediate cuts being made, the open door to do so signifies a change in the district.

"I think it is a sad day for GGUSD," said Board Member Linda Reed, "We are forced to eliminate something that has been so well received. These are real positions with real people in them . . . I apologize to our community, but we have no other choice at this point. I hope in the future that we can reinstate these programs."

The school district is looking at a potential \$50 million shortfall next academic year and has been trying to explore every option to help bridge that gap.

There have been positions left unfilled or filled with temporary help. This has saved \$30 million for the district, but it still isn't enough.

Trudell said that even though the district has to make hard decisions about cuts that it pales in comparison to Los Angeles Unified School District. LAUSD will be issuing 5,000 reduction in force notifications for next school year.

The next meeting of the school board has been moved from March 16 to March 10 at 7 p.m. It will be a regular meeting of the school board and there will be a discussion of the school bond issue.

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